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The reply filed on November 15, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): in response to the rejection of claims 35 and 39 under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, the reply at page 12 makes reference to "Appendix A". The Office was unable to locate "Appendix A" upon review of the file. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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